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SUBJECT: PENDING FRG IMPORT TENDER FOR CANNED CHERRIES

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1. ASSTAGATT ACCOMPANIED BY MR. ROBERT FROHLING, EXEC. SEC. NATIONAL RED CHERRY INSTITUTE DISCUSSED THE TERMS OF THE FORTH-COMING FRG TENDER FOR CANNED CHERRIES WITH MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE OFFICIALS, AND WERE ADVISED AS FOLLOWS: (A) THE TENDER IS EXPECTED TO BE PUBLISHED WITHIN TWO OR THREE WEEKS, (B) THE INTERNAL VALUE CEILING WILL BE DM 8 MILLION, SUBJECT TO A POSSIBLE INCREASE TO DM 10 MILLION IF NEEDED AND (C) THE VALUE CEILING WILL INCLUDE BOTH SWEET AS WELL AS SOUR CHERRIES. THE PROPOSED CEILING COMPARES WITH IMPORTS FROM THE US UNDER THE PREVIOUS TENDER, INCLUDING TRADE FAIR QUOTAS, VALUED AT DM 6.3 MILLION FOR SOUR CHERRIES AND DM 0.5 MILLION FOR SWEET CHERRIES.

2. THUS MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE HAS ACCEDED TO OUR REQUEST FOR (A) TIMELY ISSUANCE OF THE TENDER THAT ENABLES THE US INDUSTRY TO PLAN THEIR PACK, PARTICULARLY FOR THE NO. 10 CAN, AND (B) INsofar AS THE JUNE LIBERALIZATION IS UNOBTAINABLE, MAINTAIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AT LEAST THE SAME CONDITIONS THAT PREVAILED LAST YEAR. THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE REPRESENTATIVE ASSURED US THAT IMPORT LICENSES WILL BE FREELY GRANTED UPON PRODUCT ARRIVAL WITHOUT REFERENCE TO PREVIOUS DELIVERY PERIODS AND/ OR QUANTITIES IAS NOT EVEN

MENTIONED), SECRETARY ROGERS HAD RAISED QUESTION OF DANISH DEFENSE REFORMS AS POTENTIALLY WEAKENING NATO' S NORTHERN FLANK. THIS, ACCORDING TO PRESS, GAVE NORGAAARD OPPORTUNITY TO REITERATE DANISH GOVT' S VIEW THAT REDUCTION IN DANISH FORCES WOULD ACTUALLY MEAN A STRENGTHENING OF DEFENSE SINCE REFORM WOULD IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY OF DANISH FORCES.

3. ON THE PRINCIPAL SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION, US- EC RELATIONS, NORGAARD IS REPORTED TO HAVE FOUND THAT US VIEWS ON MONETARY AND TRADE

PROBLEMS DIFFER LESS FROM THOSE OF THE EC THAN HE HAD THOUGHT. HE FELT, THEREFORE, THAT ACCEPTABLE AGREEMENTS WITH US IN THESE AREAS

WERE POSSIBLE. NORGAAARD REMINDED THE PRESS OF THE DANISH AIM OF COMPLETE ABOLITION OF TARIFFS ON INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS ANDNOTED THAT, IF FAR REACHING

TARIFF REDUCTIONS ARE TO BE ACHIEVED, SAFEGUARDS AGAINST MARKET DISRUPTIONS WILL BE NECESSARY, AS PROVIDED IN US TRADE BILL. HE FELT THAT TARIFF REDUCTIONS, ABOLITION OF JAPANESE NTB' S, AND INCREASED OPPORTUNITIES FOR US AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS WOULD BE REALISTIC AIMS FOR THE GATT TALKS BEGINNING AT TOKYO IN SEPTEMBER.

4. NORGAAARD REPORTED THAT, IN DISCUSSIONS ON AGRICULTURE, HE TOLD US OFFICIALS THAT DENMARK WOULD NOT SUPPORT AN ATTACK ON BASIC PRINCIPLES OF EC AGRICULTURAL POLICY. HE FOUND US NOT DESIROUS OF ABOLISHING CAP, BUT NOTED (A) STRONG US INTEREST IN CAP PRICE MODIFICATIONS WHICH WOULD PERMIT ENTRY OF CHEAPER US GRAINS TO EC MARKET AND (B) US WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER LARGER IMPORTS OF EC PROCESSED FARM PRODUCTS. NORGAAARD ALSO FELT HE HAD DISCERNED A MORE FLEXIBLE US ATTITUDE TOWARD INTERNATIONALMONETARY ARRANGE-
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MENTS IN THAT THE US NO LONGER SEEMED TO ENVISION FULLY AUOMATIC ADJUSTMENTS OF EXCHANGE RATES BASED ON STATUS OF BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

AND RESERVES. REFERRING TO HIS MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN MILLS, NORGAAARD SAID MILLS ASSURED HIM THAT US TRADE BILL WOULD BE PASSED THIS YEAR.

5. NORGAAARD REPORTEDLY WAS GREATLY IMPRESSED WITH US EAGERNESS TO START DISCUSSIONS ON FUTURE US- EUROPEAN RELATIONS. WHILE RELUCTANT TO COMMENT ON US PROPOSALS FOR AN ATLANTIC CHARTER, NORGAAARD NOTED THAT HE HAD TOLD AMERICAN OFFICIALS THAT NOT ALL ASPECTS OF FUTURE RELATIONSBETWEEN WESTERN EUROPE ANDUS COULD BE

HANDLED BY ANY ONE EXISTING EUROPEAN ORGANIZATION. HE SAID, THEREFORE, THAT US MUST EITHER NEGOTIATE WITH EUROPEANS IN MORE THAN ONE FORUM OR A US- EUROPEAN SUMMIT MEETING MUST BE ARRANGED. HE FOUND US THINKING ON THE SUBJECT HAD NOT YET BEEN FIRMED UP.

6. DANISH DELEGATION SOURCES WERE QUOTED AS FINDING NORGAAARD VISIT MOST USEFUL AND ADDED THAT NORGAAARD WAS MOST APPRECIATIVE OF MANNER IN WHICH VISIT PLANNED BY USG.
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